

## MANA WAHINE, HE PULAPULA NO KA MOANA ĀKEA

*Lufi A Luteru*

Hina glorious  
moon mother  
empower the seed  
ko te māramatanga  
seed of revival thriving

contained deep  
within oceanic skin  
sacred child  
ke awe o Kanaloa  
he purapura

swim with kaitiaki  
manaia, mangōpare  
sandpaper skin  
lead her  
wonderous father manō

burst forth  
Moana ākea  
seek Siamese mothers' wisdom  
womb of pō infinity  
he kākano

manifest the vision long silenced  
blackened kukui  
mo'o speak  
of malu stars  
and hua pods of knowledge  
tap deep  
within land and sea  
timeless  
ancestral stories  
te ara o te wairua

guide her  
pueo hands  
within diving  
spiral currents,  
outstretched upward  
inward awaken  
ka 'ike pāpālua  
lead her to koru insight  
mana wahine  
he pulapula no ka Moana ākea